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Thank you,

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APPLICATION FOR THE INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Please submit your completed application
by email to district.applications@austintexas.gov

by mail or in person to:
Office of the City Auditor
301 W. 2nd Street Suite 2130
Austin, TX 78701

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*Application Period:
January 18, 2013
through
February 22, 2013*

FOR ASSISTANCE WITH INTERPRETING KEY TERMS, SEE THE GLOSSARY
AT THE END OF THIS APPLICATION

MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE APPLICATION PROCESS CAN BE FOUND IN
THE CITY AUDITOR'S INTERPRETIVE GUIDANCE AND THE CITY CHARTER
AT WWW.AUSTINTEXAS.GOV/10-ONE

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or provide a signed application to the Office of the City Auditor in person or by mail at:

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Austin, TX 78701

Submission Deadline: February 22, 2013

DUTIES AND TERMS OF SERVICE

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission duties include:

1. Conduct duties with integrity and fairness.
2. Conduct an open and transparent process to enable full public consideration of and comment on the drawing of district lines to include an open hearing process.
3. Draw district lines in accordance with specific redistricting criteria in the Charter.
4. Adopt a final redistricting plan and certify the plan to the Austin City Council.
5. Issue a report that explains the basis on which the Commission made its decisions.

Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission Member terms of service include:

1. Members of the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) will not be compensated for serving, but are eligible to receive reimbursement of reasonable and necessary expenses related to Commission duties. Guidance on what is considered "reasonable and necessary" will be provided by the appropriate authority at a later date.
2. Serve a term of office that expires when the first member of the succeeding Commission is appointed in the year after the next national census is taken.
3. Members of the Commission will be subject to the following restrictions on their future activities:
 - For a period of 10 years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person will not be eligible to be elected to the Austin City Council.
 - For a period of three years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person may not hold appointed office for the City of Austin.
 - For a period of three years beginning from the date that a person is appointed to the Commission, the person may not:
 - Serve as a City employee or as a paid consultant to the City of Austin.
 - Serve as a paid consultant to a member of the City Council in the council member's private capacity; or
 - Receive a non-competitively bid contract with the City of Austin.

APPLICATION FOR THE
INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

2013

Please complete this section legibly.

Name of Applicant: Llanes Pulido Carmen Dolores
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

Voter Registration Number (VUID): 1146505486

Residence Address (must be a fixed location in the City of Austin):

4513 Elwood Rd Austin TX 78722
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)

Mailing Address (if different from Residence Address)

(Street Address or PO Box) (City) (State) (Zip)

Contact Phone: 512-633-4312

Contact Email Address: carmen.llanes@gmail.com

Spouse's Name: Pinilla Pulido Juan Carlos
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

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Please check YES or NO by each requirement. If you answer YES to question one (1), you may skip questions four (4) and five (5).

1. Are you a student enrolled in a community college or university in the City of Austin? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. Do you reside in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
3. Are you registered to vote in the City of Austin? ☒ Yes ☐ No
4. Have you been continuously registered to vote in the City of Austin for the five years immediately preceding the date on which you submit this application? ☒ Yes ☐ No
5. Please indicate whether you voted in the following City of Austin general elections (or corresponding runoff if applicable):

City of Austin General Elections	Candidate Response
May 12, 2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 14, 2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 9, 2009	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 10, 2008	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
May 13, 2006	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Conflicts of Interest

The information below is required to help the City Auditor identify any conflict of interest you may have.

Within 5 years of the application date, have <i>you or your spouse</i> :	
Been appointed to a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been elected to a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been a candidate for a state or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of the campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county, or city office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Been a registered state or local lobbyist?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Within 3 years of the application date, have <i>you or your spouse</i> been:	
A paid employee of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to the City of Austin or the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A controlling person of a person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to the City of Austin or the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to any member of the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
A controlling person of a person performing paid services under a professional or political contract to any member of the City Council of the City of Austin?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
In the last City Election did <i>you or your spouse</i> :	
Contribute or bundle one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more in aggregate to candidates for City of Austin elective office?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Personal Background Information

- Ethnicity: Amer. Indian/Anglo
- Race: Hispanic
- Gender: ☐ Male ☒ Female
- Age: (Please check your response)
☐ 18 to 24 ☒ 25 to 34 ☐ 35 to 44 ☐ 45 to 54 ☐ 55 to 64 ☐ 65+
- Education level: (Please check any that apply)
☒ High School Diploma or GED
☐ Some College (major _____)
☐ Associate's Degree (major _____)
☒ Bachelor's Degree (major Environmental Studies)
☐ Post-Graduate Degree, indicate highest degree attained: (subject _____)

Qualifications

Please describe your relevant analytical skills.

I am a native Austinite. I have studied abroad and traveled to many other cities and countries, but I have spent most of my life here. Immediately upon graduating from the University of Chicago A.B. Environmental Studies in June 2007, I moved back to Austin and began witnessing its incredible growth and changes. I became very involved in the discourse from then on.

For the last six years I have worked as a community organizer and advocate on Austin issues related to affordable housing, community health, transportation, juvenile justice, public education, immigrant rights, cooperative economies, and civic engagement, particularly in East Austin. For the last three years, I have been working with parents in 19 title one schools in various Austin neighborhoods. I engage hundreds of parents around health and wellness for their children, to help their communities build gardens, create low-cost fitness programs, bring in local produce and healthy foods, and bring other amazing changes to their neighborhoods, parks and schools.

Since 2008 I have been registering voters as a deputized voter registrar, coordinating get-out-the-vote campaigns in East Austin, organizing candidate forums, working as a Travis County Election Judge, and generally working to increase awareness about local elections, especially among young people.



Please describe your ability to be impartial.

I consider myself to be politically Independent. I do not ascribe to a specific political party, nor to I hold any close ties to currently or past elected officials. I have served as an Election Judge for the vast majority of Travis County Elections for the past five years, usually at least twice a year. This duty requires me to be completely impartial, not only on party affiliation, but on candidates, elected officials, propositions, referendums, and even Municipal Utility issues. While I love a good discussion or debate about politics, I know when and how to keep my own opinions in check, in the interest of sound democracy.

I highly value openness and transparent process, and this is why I am impressed and optimistic about the ICRC and the 10-one process, because it was cultivated by leaders from highly diverse communities.

Please describe your appreciation for the City of Austin's diverse demographics and geography.

I grew up in Old West Austin (just East of Clarksville) and East Austin (Springdale & Cesar Chavez). I attended Mathews Elementary, Kealing Jr. High, and LBJ High School. I currently reside in Delwood II, a 1940's neighbor to the Mueller development. I have parents in Hyde Park and in East Austin. Since I was a child in the 80s I've witnessed the geographic contrasts and constants in the Austin area, in its terrain, neighborhood structure, architecture, and socio-economic patterns.

I am particularly fascinated by the unique topography of central Texas. The fact that three completely distinct types of terrain intersect in downtown Austin has always been a subject of interest to me. It is relevant to many of the socio-political disparities in our city's history. Many people of color in Austin have moved as a result of rising costs and economic exploitative forces from the 90s to the present. Before this, the main cause was segregation forced by the City beginning in the late 20s. But before even those stories, and intertwined in them, are the stories of Austin's floodplains, the before-and-after construction of the Highland Lakes Dams and the Holly Power Plant, and the swirling collision of Blackland prairie, Coastal sands and the Balcones Escarpment underneath the footprints of Austin's development. To me, this is one big part of why our evolving Austin history is so interesting and noteworthy, and above all, unique.

Today, in my full-time job as a program manager and community organizer for Marathon Kids (and as the official staffmember), I work with hundreds of parents and teachers at 18 AISD elementary schools and one charter school. The neighborhoods range geographically from Braker Lane (Lamar +

Please provide any other information you wish to be considered during the selection of the most qualified applicants for the Commission.

I look forward to a Commission that represents the true variety of Austin folks that make our City. In its work, I believe the Commission should prioritize healthy dialogue, transparency, collaboration, integrity, equality, and an appreciation for diverse perspectives. We are making history, and whether I sit on the Commission or just attend public hearings and give input, I feel fortunate to be a part of this historic process.

DISCLAIMER

By submitting this application, I understand that I am giving the City Auditor permission to release my information to the public. In particular, I affirmatively consent to the release of the contact email address I have provided.

If I am appointed, my address, contact phone number and contact email address will be included on the **City of Austin's website**.

I understand my application is public information under the Texas Public Information Act. The information will be kept according to the City Auditor's **records retention policies**.

I understand that my participation on the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission is voluntary.

I understand the duties and terms of service for the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission as described above.

Under penalty of law, I swear or affirm that the preceding information in this application is in all things true and correct.

Carmen Dolores Llanes Pulido

Signature of Applicant

If submitting electronically, please type your full name in the signature box.

2-18-2013

Date

GLOSSARY

- “Bundle” means to raise money as an intermediary for a council candidate by soliciting contributions on the candidate’s behalf.
- “Campaign committee” in regard to an “officer, employee or paid consultant of a campaign committee” means a candidate or a specific purpose political committee supporting or opposing a candidate.
- “Candidate” for elective office means a person whose name appeared on a ballot, or who was a declared write-in candidate, in a general or primary election. It does not mean a person who merely announced a candidacy or only filed campaign finance filings. This definition attempts to construe the term against ineligibility, avoid ambiguity and disputes of fact, and use the term in the way most commonly understood by a lay person.
- “City” means Austin.
- “City elective office” means the office of mayor and city council member.
- “City employee” means an employee on the City payroll, including a temporary or part-time employee. The term does not include an independent contractor. This definition follows the definition in Section 2-7-2 of the City Code.
- “City office,” with respect to appointment, means a municipal court judgeship (including a substitute judgeship), and membership on a commission, committee, board, task force, or other City body appointed by the mayor or the city council. This definition follows the definition of “city official” in Section 2-7-2 of the City Code, excluding those City officials who are covered separately as City employees.
- “Community college or university in the City of Austin” means a degree-granting post-secondary educational institution, accredited by a recognized accrediting agency under the Education Code, that grants one or more of the following: an associate’s degree, a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree, or a doctorate, and that regularly conducts classes where the instructor and two or more students are physically present in a physical location within Austin’s city limits.
- “Contribution,” for purposes of calculating aggregate contributions to candidates for City elective office, includes all contributions to candidates for mayor and city council, and contributions to specific purpose political committees supporting or opposing those candidates.
- “County” refers to a county in which the City of Austin has territory.
- “County elective office” means an office that is voted on county-wide or an office that is voted on by the voters of a precinct drawn by a commissioners court.
- “Employee” with respect to a political party or campaign committee means a person who was paid a salary by the political party or campaign committee.
- “Local lobbyist” means a person required to register under Chapter 4-8 of the City Code.
- “Non-competitively bid contract” means a contract which must be awarded as provided in Section 252.043 of the Local Government Code (“lowest responsible bidder” or “best value for the municipality”).

- “Officer” with respect to the “campaign committee of a candidate for elective state, county or city office” means:
 - the campaign treasurer of a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office;
 - the campaign treasurer of a specific purpose political committee that supported or opposed a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office; or
 - an officer or director of an incorporated specific purpose political committee, incorporated for liability purposes only under Section 253.092 of the Texas Election Code, that supported or opposed a candidate for an elective state, county, or city office.
- “Officer” with respect to a political party means a precinct chair, a county chair, or a member of a party executive committee under Title 10 of the Texas Election Code.
- “Paid Consultant” with respect to work done for a political party or campaign committee means a person who was paid monetary consideration for providing legal services, accounting services, public relations services, statistical or polling services, or political or campaign-related services or advice.
- “Paid Consultant” with respect to the three year ban on paid consultancy with a council member, means having a “political or professional contract” with a council member as defined in this guidance.
- “Political or professional contract,” in the context of a contract with a council member, means a contract with a council member under which, in return for consideration, a person provided expert advice or personal services related to a council member's duties or to the council member's service as a council member, or provided advice about the conduct of campaign activities or holding office, or provided services to a council member that would be reportable on the council member's required campaign and officeholder filings under Title 15 of the Texas Election Code; Article III, §8 of the Austin City Charter; or Chapter 2-2 of the Austin City Code. This does not include a contract solely for the sale of goods.
- “Political party” means a political party that appeared on the ballot in any of the last three general elections for state and county officers.
- “Professional contract,” in the context of a contract with the City means a non-competitively bid contract other than a contract solely for the sale of goods.
- “State” means Texas.
- “State office” means an office held by a “state officer” as defined in Section 572.002 of the Government Code.
 - In the context of an appointment to a state office, “state office” means: the office of Secretary of State, an office of a state agency subject to appointment for a term of office specified by the Texas Constitution or a statute of this state; an office subject to appointment with the advice and consent of the senate; the position of executive head of a state agency; or a state office subject to election but filled by appointment because of a vacancy or because the office is newly created.
 - In the context of candidacy or election to a state office, “state office” means a seat in the legislature, an executive or judicial office filled in a statewide election; a judgeship of a court of appeals or of a district court; membership on the State Board of Education; or the position of district attorney or criminal district attorney.
- “Student” means a person actively enrolled in a community college or university on the date of the person’s application to the Commission.

